

# ***Everglades Restoration is Moving Forward***

## **The ACME Basin B Discharge Project**

The ACME Basin B Discharge Project – a critical part of Everglades Restoration – is underway. The Village of Wellington (VOW) and the South Florida Water Management (SFWMD) are partners on this project that will improve the quality of water entering the Everglades. One critical component of this project is the widening of the C-1 Canal along Flying Cow Road, which will increase the conveyance capacity of the canal.

No work will take place on private property owned by the residents along the canal. However, work will occur in the VOW right of way and maintenance easement along the C-1 Canal. The contractor has marked the canal easement boundaries with stakes. All structures and vegetation needs to be removed from the easement as construction is currently underway. Any structures and vegetation remaining in the easement will be removed and disposed of by the contractor.

Water levels in the C-1 Canal and possibly in adjacent canals, have been or will be lowered for the canal widening operation. The contractor will attempt to maintain a minimal amount of water in the canal but some irrigation suction lines may become exposed. The contractor has requested that residents remove all irrigation suction lines entering the C-1 Canal while the canal is under construction. Irrigations pumps should also be shut off during this time. If irrigation suction lines in the canal are not removed, the contractor will cut and remove the line and place the material on your property. Replacement of the irrigation suction lines after completion of the project is the responsibility of the resident.

This information has previously been shared at several homeowners' association meetings. This notification is to make you aware that work is now proceeding.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and sincerely appreciate your cooperation with this important project to "Help Restore America's Everglades".

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